IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE DISTRICT OF DELAWARE

ROBERT QUILL, :

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Plaintiff, :

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v. : C.A.No. 07-435-SLR

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CATHOLIC DIOCESE OF WILMINGTON,

INC., a Delaware corporation; ST. :

ELIZABETH'S CATHOLIC CHURCH, a : Delaware corporation; Rev. FRANCIS G. : DELUCA, individually and in his official :

capacity; and Rev. MICHAEL A.

SALTARELLI, in his official capacity,

:

Defendants. :

PLAINTIFF'S MOTION TO STRIKE DEFENDANT DELUCA'S MOTION FOR PROTECTIVE ORDER (D.I. 62) FOR FAILURE TO COMPLY WITH THE RULE 16 SCHEDULING ORDER

On December 14, 2007, the Court entered the Rule 16 Scheduling Order governing the discovery and trial schedule in this case. (D.I. 54).

Paragraph (2)(h)(1) of the Order states that "No ... motions for protective order shall be filed absent approval from the court following a discovery conference."

On January 2, 2008, defendant DeLuca filed a motion for protective order (D.I. 62) to stay his court ordered deposition. (See D.I. 58).

In violation of the Scheduling Order, defendant DeLuca filed this motion without "approval from the court following a discovery conference."

Accordingly, this motion is improper and should be stricken as a violation of this Court's Order.

Plaintiff respectfully requests that attorneys' fees and costs be assessed against this defendant for the time required to prepare this motion as well as plaintiff's response in opposition to the defense motion (D.I. 65), which was prepared and filed out of an abundance of caution.

Plaintiff waives an opening brief in support of this Motion.

Respectfully Submitted,

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I, Stephen J. Neuberger, being a member of the bar of this Court do hereby certify that on January 4, 2008, I electronically filed this Pleading with the Clerk of the Court using CM/ECF which will send notification of such filing to the following:

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